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SUBJECT: GERMAN PRESS PREVIEWS OF VISIT OF DEPUTY  
SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTOPHER  
TO BONN

1. SUMMARY. MARCH 9 TWO MAJOR GERMAN NEWSPAPERS  
GAVE PREVIEWS OF THE VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY  
CHRISTOPHER TO BONN TO CONTINUE CONSULTATIONS  
ABOUT THE GERMAN-BRASILIAN NUCLEAR AGREEMENT. BOTH  
REPORTS AGREE THAT THE UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS  
WILL BE DIFFICULT AS THE POSITIONS OF BOTH  
PARTIES REMAIN UNALTERED AND THAT NO COMPROMISE  
IS IN SIGHT. END SUMMARY.

2. "BONNER GENERALANZEIGER" - (GAZ) REPORTS  
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THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION TO STICK  
BY ITS COMMITMENTS TO BRAZIL HAS BEEN ENDORSED  
BY A DECISION OF THE NEWLY FORMED CABINET LEVEL  
NUCLEAR COUNCIL. TODAY'S FIRST MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE FOR THE PEACEFUL USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY  
WHICH WAS FORMED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL  
IMPORTANT POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SECTORS IN

THE FRG IS EXPECTED TO MAKE A SIMILAR RECOMMENDATION.

GAZ OBSERVES THAT POLITICAL CIRCLES IN BONN ARE WAITING WITH INTEREST FOR CONCRETE AND REALISTIC AMERICAN PROPOSALS, BECAUSE, AFTER THE FAILURE OF THE DIRECT AMERICAN-BRASILIAN TALKS, THE CURRENT US PROPOSAL TO INTERNATIONALIZE THE PLANNED SENSITIVE NUCLEAR FACILITIES IN BRAZIL STOOD NO CHANCE. GAZ CITES UNIDENTIFIED SOURCES WHO ASSERT THAT A COMPROMISE COULD BE MOST EASILY REACHED BY AN IMPROVEMENT OF THE SAFEGUARD PROVISIONS IN THE NPT, BECAUSE THE BRASILIAN GOVERNMENT HAD COMMITTED ITSELF TO ACCEPT "BEST AVAILABLE" SAFEGUARDS. ACCORDING TO THE GAZ THE FRG GOVERNMENT EMPHASIZED THAT THE BASIS FOR ITS NUCLEAR EXPORT POLICY IS THE NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS' GUIDELINES WHICH CALL FOR AN UTMOST RESTRAINT IN THE DELIVERY OF SENSITIVE NUCLEAR FACILITIES. THE PAPER NOTES THAT THE GERMAN DETERMINATION TO STAND BY ITS OBLIGATIONS WAS STRONGLY REINFORCED BY A FRENCH DECISION WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED IN A RECENT PARLIAMENTARY SESSION BY INDUSTRY MINISTER D'ORNANO WHO STATED THAT FRANCE WOULD DELIVER A REPROCESSING PLANT TO PAKISTAN DESPITE THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION NOT TO ISSUE ANY FURTHER EXPORT LICENSE FOR SUCH FACILITIES.

3. IN ITS REPORT "KOELNER STADTANZEIGER"-(KA) PICKS UP THE HALT IN THE DELIVERY OF HIGHLY-UNCLASSIFIED

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ENRICHED URANIUM (HEU) TO EUROPE FROM THE U.S. KA REPORTS THAT IT HAS NOT HEARD OFFICIALLY OF A LINK BETWEEN THIS DELIVERY HALT AND THE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ABOUT THE GERMAN-BRASILIAN NUCLEAR AGREEMENT, BUT RATHER ASSUMES THAT THESE DIFFICULTIES AROSE FROM THE REVIEW OF THE NUCLEAR POLICY NOW CONDUCTED BY THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION. THE PAPER EXPLAINS THAT ABOUT 400 KG OF HEU AWAITS DELIVERY TO THE GERMAN FIRM NUKEM WHICH FUNCTIONS AS THE IMPORTER OF THE MATERIAL AND FABRICATES THE NECESSARY FUEL ELEMENTS FOR RESEARCH REACTORS IN THE FRG, SWEDEN, THE NETHERLANDS AND CANADA. A NUKEM REPRESENTATIVE TOLD KA THAT A RESEARCH REACTOR IN THE NETHERLANDS WOULD EVENTUALLY HAVE TO BE SHUT DOWN IN THE FALL WITH THE OTHERS TO FOLLOW, UNLESS THE CONTRACTS FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE HEU WERE FULFILLED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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